

In re: Lee et al.
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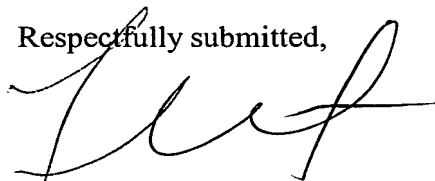
REMARKS

Claims 1-36 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 14-19, and 32-34 are herein canceled without prejudice, thus obviating the §102(b) and §103(a) rejections provided by the Office Action.

Applicants appreciate the indication that Claims 35 and 36 are allowed, and that Claims 2-13 and 20-31 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants note that Claims 2, 5, 8, 13, 20, 23, 26 and 31 are herein rewritten in independent form. As Claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 9-12, 21, 22, 24, 25 and 27-30 depend from these independent claims, Applicants submit that Claims 2-13, 20-31, 35 and 36 now meet the Examiner's requirements for allowance.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and the same is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any small matters outstanding of resolution, he is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 919-854-1400 for expeditious handling.

Respectfully submitted,



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